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FOR MCMANAWAY AND HECK FROM EAGLEBURGER

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1. SOMEONE HAS RUN AMOK, AND IT HAD BETTER BE STOPPED SOONEST.
FOR BEST EXAMPLE, SEE PARAS. 2, 3, AND 4 OF REFTEL B. OUR POLICY
HAS NOT REPEAT NOT CHANGED, AND WHATEVER DEPARTMENT OFFICIAL SAID
THAT THE PREFERRED WAY OF STATING IT IS: "DO EVERYTHING TO EFFECT
THE SAFE RELEASE OF HOSTAGES WITHOUT MAKING CONCESSIONS" HAS ONLY
SUCCEEDED IN CONFUSING THE SITUATION.

2. IN CASE THERE IS ANY DOUBT, LET ME REPEAT: OUR POLICY IS THAT
WE WILL NOT REPEAT NOT NEGOTIATE WITH TERRORISTS. FURTHER, IT WOULD
BE NICE (BUT PERHAPS TOO MUCH TO EXPECT) IF SOMEONE IN THE
DEPARTMENT WERE TELLING THE PRESS THAT IT IS THEIR "HARD-LINE"
PLICY THAT IN THE LAST ANALYSIS IS MOST PROTECTIVE OF
LIVES BECAUSE IT MOST DISCOURAGES FUTURE TERRORIST ACTS.
IT WOULD ALSO HAVE BEEN NICE TO SEE A BIT ABOUT HOW "EASY"
IT IS IN ANY PARTICULAR CASE TO GIVE IN, BUT THAT ONLY ENCOURAGES
FURTHER ESCAPADES. I SAW VERY LITTLE OF THAT IN THE ARTICLE
CONTAINED IN REF A.

3. EVERYONE BACK THERE HAD BETTER UNDERSTAND THAT THE POLICY
HAS NOT CHANGED; THAT IT WILL NOT CHANGE; THAT RUSH'S INVOLVEMENT

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WAS TO TALK, NOT TO NEGOTIATE; THAT IT WILL ONLY BE UNDER THE

MOST EXTREME CIRCUMSTANCES THAT US AMBASSADORS WILL EVEN
GET THIS INVOLVED WITH TERRORISTS; AND THAT NO MATTER HOW MUCH
OTHERS MAY SEEK TO SHOW WHAT NICE GUYS THEY ARE, WE IN STATE
WILL FOLLOW THE POLICY TO THE LETTER, AND DEFEND IT.

4. IN SHORT, I AM NOT IMPRESSED. KISSINGER

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